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| 10/021,263         | 12/07/2001          | John H. Belk          | 7784-000278            |

CONFIRMATION NO. 9010

## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- o The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
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- o Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$84.  
    □ \$84 for 1 independent claims over 3 .
- o The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- o To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- o **The balance due by applicant is \$ 954.**

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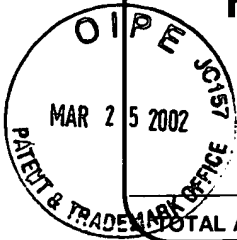
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2002

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## Complete if Known

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| Application Number   | 10/021,263          |
| Filing Date          | 12/07/01            |
| First Named Inventor | John H. Belk et al. |
| Examiner Name        | N/A                 |
| Group / Art Unit     | N/A                 |
| Attorney Docket No.  | 7784-000278         |

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 994

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Fee Description        | Fee Paid |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------------------|----------|
| 101            | 740         | 201            | 370         | Utility filing fee     | 740      |
| 106            | 330         | 206            | 165         | Design filing fee      |          |
| 107            | 510         | 207            | 255         | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 108            | 740         | 208            | 370         | Reissue filing fee     |          |
| 114            | 160         | 214            | 80          | Provisional filing fee |          |

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 740)

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

|                    |    |        |   |   |              |   |                |   |    |          |
|--------------------|----|--------|---|---|--------------|---|----------------|---|----|----------|
| Total Claims       | 18 | -20 ** | = | 0 | Extra Claims | X | Fee from below | = | 0  | Fee Paid |
| Independent Claims | 4  | -3 **  | = | 1 | Extra Claims | X | 84             | = | 84 | Fee Paid |
| Multiple Dependent |    |        |   |   | Extra Claims | X |                | = | 0  | Fee Paid |

| Large Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Small Fee Code | Entity (\$) | Fee Description  | Fee Paid |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|--|----------|
| 103            | 18          | 203            | 9           | Claims in excess of 20                                     |          |
| 102            | 84          | 202            | 42          | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |          |
| 104            | 280         | 204            | 140         | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |          |
| 109            | 84          | 209            | 42          | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |          |
| 110            | 18          | 210            | 9           | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |          |

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 84)

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Fee Code | Large Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Description  | Fee Paid |
|----------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------|--|----------|
| 105      | 130                   | 205      | 65                    | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  | 130      |
| 127      | 50                    | 227      | 25                    | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.                    |          |
| 139      | 130                   | 139      | 130                   | Non-English specification  |          |
| 147      | 2,520                 | 147      | 2,520                 | For filing a request for reexamination                                     |          |
| 112      | 920*                  | 112      | 920*                  | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 113      | 1,840*                | 113      | 1,840*                | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 115      | 110                   | 215      | 55                    | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 116      | 400                   | 216      | 200                   | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 117      | 920                   | 217      | 460                   | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 118      | 1,440                 | 218      | 720                   | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 128      | 1,960                 | 228      | 980                   | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 119      | 320                   | 219      | 160                   | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 120      | 320                   | 220      | 160                   | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 121      | 280                   | 221      | 140                   | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 138      | 1,510                 | 138      | 1,510                 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 140      | 110                   | 240      | 55                    | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 141      | 1,280                 | 241      | 640                   | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 142      | 1,280                 | 242      | 640                   | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 143      | 460                   | 243      | 230                   | Design issue fee   |          |
| 144      | 620                   | 244      | 310                   | Plant issue fee  |          |
| 122      | 130                   | 122      | 130                   | Petitions to the Commissioner  |          |
| 123      | 50                    | 123      | 50                    | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)                                       |          |
| 126      | 180                   | 126      | 180                   | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 581      | 40                    | 581      | 40                    | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | 40       |
| 146      | 740                   | 246      | 370                   | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              |          |
| 149      | 740                   | 249      | 370                   | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))           |          |
| 179      | 740                   | 279      | 370                   | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |          |
| 169      | 900                   | 169      | 900                   | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBTOTAL (3)

(\$ 170)

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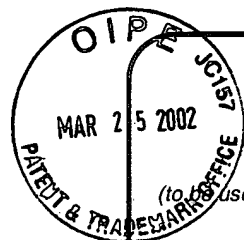
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## ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)

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☒ Fee Attached

☐ Amendment / Response

☐ After Final

☐ Affidavits/declaration(s)

☐ Extension of Time Request

☐ Express Abandonment Request

☐ Information Disclosure Statement

☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)

☒ Response to Missing Parts/  
Incomplete Application

☐ Response to Missing  
Parts under 37 CFR  
1.52 or 1.53

☒ Assignment Papers  
(for an Application)

☐ Drawing(s)

☐ Licensing-related Papers

☐ Petition

☐ Petition to Convert to a  
Provisional Application

☐ Power of Attorney, Revocation  
Change of Correspondence Address

☐ Terminal Disclaimer

☐ Request for Refund

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☐ After Allowance Communication to  
Group

☐ Appeal Communication to Board of  
Appeals and Interferences

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☐ Status Letter

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Remarks

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